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**REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Address to:  
Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Application Number: 09/498,369	Confirmation Number: 8725
Filing Date: February 4, 2000	
First Named Inventor: Victor H. SHEAR et al.	
Group Art Unit: 3629	
Examiner: Thomas A. DIXON	
Attorney Docket Number: 07451.0010-01	
Attorney Customer Number: 22,852	

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.

a. ☒ Submitted herewith:

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| i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply   | iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement<br>(submitted under separate cover, courtesy copy attached) |
| ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) | iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three Month Extension of Time   |

2. Fees

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0916:
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| i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) |
| ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$1,020.00 Extension of Time Fee                   |

**Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required**

Name: Andrew B. Schwaab

Reg. No.: 38,611

Signature:

Date:

July 26, 2005

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